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TO : Chief, Industrial Division, ORR

Acting Chief, Guided Missile Branch, D/I

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Requirements for [REDACTED] Possible Missile Activity at
Experimental Plant #1, Podberes'ye.

REF : [REDACTED] Apr 30 1137Z 59 (IN 11163)

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BACKGROUND: Referenced cable solicited requirements for [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] It has been reported that this plant produced components and subassemblies for the German V-1 type missile during hulls in prototype aircraft production. The quantity of missile parts that were sporadically produced seems to indicate that Plant #1 was not considered as a prime supplier of missile components, subassemblies, or complete missiles. (SECRET)

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During 1953, this plant acted as a subcontractor for NII-88, [REDACTED] which is a known Soviet missile facility. Guided

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missile parts and instruments that could have come partly or wholly from [REDACTED] It is reported that from March 1952, through June 1953, three assembly lines manned by 150 to 350 Soviet workers produced approximately 100 sub-assemblies per month at Plant #1 for a missile that was similar to the German V-1 and may have been designated "K3". The subassemblies were crated at Plant #1 and shipped to an unknown final assembly plant, possibly NII-88. (SECRET)

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Any confirmation, invalidation, or additional information concerning missile production at Podberes'ye would be of utmost importance to this office. The following questions are submitted to aid in answering this requirement.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Was the source aware of any missile production at Experimental Plant #1?

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at Experimental Plant #1, Podbez'e.

2. If so, what type of production - airframe; powerplant; fabrication and assembly of missiles or sub-assemblies; support equipment?
3. Has source ever heard designation "ES"?
4. Describe plant as completely as possible, including size, layout, and equipment. On basis of these (and possibly other) factors, does source consider that plant is capable of fabrication and/or assembly of missiles?
5. Did source ever hear discussion or rumors concerning proposed missile armament of new aircraft?
6. Did source ever see a missile mock-up at Plant #1?
7. Did source see any military or civilian plant representatives or visitors at the Plant? If so, state from which branch of service or from what industrial installations they came, indicating dates of visits.
8. Were missiles of any kind discussed by the Soviets in source's presence?
9. Was source aware of any connections whatsoever between Plant #1 and other industrial establishments? If so, identify.

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